

CURRICULUM VITAE OF SAMUEL M. POWELL

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PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *The Impassioned Life: Reason and Emotion in the Christian Tradition.* Fortress Press, 2016.
- *A Teacher's Guide to Scripture.* Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2012.
- *A Teacher's Guide to End Times Theology.* Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2011.
- *A Teacher's Guide to the Sacraments.* Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2011.
- *A Teacher's Guide to the Trinity.* Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2011.
- *Discovering Our Christian Faith.* Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2008.
- *A Theology of Christian Spirituality.* Abingdon Press, 2005.
- *Holiness in the 21st Century: Call, Consecration, Obedience Perfected in Love.* Point Loma Press, 2004.
- *Participating in God: Trinity and Creation.* Fortress Press, 2003. Winner of the Wesleyan Theological Society's 2005 Smith-Wynkoop award.
- *The Trinity in German Thought.* Cambridge University Press, 2001.

Books Edited

- *It's All About Grace: Wesleyan Essays in Honor of Herbert L. Prince.* San Diego: Point Loma Press, 2004.
- *Embodied Holiness: Toward a Corporate Theology of Spiritual Growth.* InterVarsity Press (1999).

Articles and Essays

- "Two Reasons Why I Believe the Theory of Evolution is Scientifically True." In *Nazarenes Exploring Evolution.* SacraSage Press, 2014.
- "Gospel of John" in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception.* De Gruyter, forthcoming.
- "19th Century Protestant Doctrines of the Trinity." In the *Oxford Handbook of the Trinity.* Oxford University Press, 2012.
- "Modern Doctrines of the Trinity." In *Rethinking Trinitarian Theology.* Continuum/T & T Clark, 2012.
- "The World's Participation in God's Trinitarian Life." *Process Studies* 37, no. 1 (2008): 145-165.
- "Discussion: Theological Reflections." In *Religion, Terror and Violence: Religious Studies Perspectives.* Routledge, 2008.
- Two articles ("Fundamentalism" and "Fideism") in *The Science and Religion Primer.* Baker, 2009.
- "Idealism." In *The New Lion Handbook: The History of Christianity.* Lion Hudson, 2007.

- Four articles (“Johann Fichte,” “Theology of Hope,” “William James,” and “William C. Placher”) in *New Dictionary of Theology*. InterVarsity Press (forthcoming).
- “The Theological Significance of the Holiness Movement.” *Quarterly Review* 25, no. 2 (2005):126-140.
- “Divine Trinity.” In *Philosophy of Religion: Introductory Essays*. Nazarene Publishing House, 2003.
- Four Articles (“Christian Wolff,” “Neology,” “Schelling,” and “Hegel”) in *The Encyclopedia of Protestantism*. Routledge, 2004.
- “Schelling and Tillich on God’s Relation to the World.” In *Religion and Its Relevance in Post-Modernism*. Edwin Mellen Press, 2001.
- “A Trinitarian Alternative to Process Theism.” In *Thy Name and Thy Nature is Love: Wesleyan and Process Theologies in Dialogue*. Kingswood Books, 2001.
- “History and Eschatology in the Thought of Wolfhart Pannenberg.” *Fides et Historia* 32, no. 2 (2000):19-32.
- Two chapters in *Embodied Holiness: Toward a Corporate Theology of Spiritual Growth*. InterVarsity Press (1999).
- “Committing Christianity in Public.” In *Maps and Models for Ministry*. Point Loma Press, 1996.
- “Thinking About Economics and Ethics as a Wesleyan.” In *Grace in the Academic Community: Festschrift for Dr. Cecil Paul*. Point Loma Press, 1996.
- “Religious Experience and Myth: The Philosophy of C.H. Weisse.” *Annals of Scholarship* 6 (1989):383-396.
- “The Doctrine of the Trinity in 19th Century American Wesleyan Theology.” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 18 (1983):33-55.

PAPERS RECENTLY DELIVERED

- “Born Again Hermeneutics and Reading the Bible in Christian Community,” Wesleyan Theological Society, 2016
- “A Critique of Galileo’s Theory of the Two Books” Wesleyan Philosophical Society, 2016
- “Emotion and Reason in Christian Thought.” Wesleyan Philosophical Society, 2014.
- “The Procession of the Spirit and the Image of God in Augustine’s Theology.” Los Angeles Theology Conference, 2014
- “Interpreting Eschatological Texts.” John A. Knight Bible and Theology Conference (Mount Vernon Nazarene University), 2012.
- “Paul Tillich’s Theology and Cognitive Science: The Prospects for Theological Anthropology.” American Academy of Religion, 2010.
- “Sophia and Phronesis.” Nurturing the Prophetic Imagination Conference, Point Loma Nazarene University, 2010.
- “A Proposal for Understanding the Bible’s Authority.” Wesleyan Theological Society, 2010.
- “Christian Ethics and Altruism: A Proposal.” Society for the Study of Psychology and Wesleyan Theology, 2010.
- “A Hermeneutical Approach to Interpreting Theology from the Perspective of Neuroscience.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, 2004.
- “The Sacrament of Proclamation: The Christian Intellect Seeking Understanding.” Christianity and the Soul of the University Conference, March 2004.
- “Embodied Knowledge: Hegel and Schleiermacher.” American Academy of Religion, Western Region, March 2004.
- “The Idea of the Church in Liberal Theology.” American Academy of Religion, Western Region, March 2003.

- “Creation Theology and the Catholic Spirit.” ‘God of Nature and of Grace’: Wesleyan Perspectives on Creation conference. Point Loma Nazarene University, April, 2002.
- “Theology as an Exercise in Creative Imagination.” Creative Imagination: Embodying Time, Space and Form conference. Point Loma Nazarene University, February, 2002.
- “A Wesleyan Understanding of Order and Contingency.” American Academy of Religion, November, 2000.
- “A Recommendation of the Doctrine of the Trinity.” Wesleyan Theological Society, March, 2000.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- Appearances on KPBS (San Diego) radio program “These Days”:
 - June 20, 2002 “Hell”
 - May 7, 2001 “The Bible and History”
 - April 18, 2000 “Religion and Politics/The Influence of Religion on Politics in America”
 - January 6, 1998 “Religion and Society/First Amendment Issues”
 - June 4, 1997 “Reform in the Roman Catholic Church”
 - February 19, 1997 “Cloning”
- “Pope Bravely Chose a Very Painful Course,” in the San Diego *Union-Tribune* (March 19, 2000).
- Interviewed for WealthTV feature, “The God Particle,” airing Oct. 1, 2012.

EDUCATION

- Claremont Graduate School. Ph.D. in Religion, 1987.
- Nazarene Theological Seminary. M.Div., 1981.
- Point Loma Nazarene College. B.A., 1978.

MINISTERIAL ORDERS

- Ordained Deacon in the Church of the Nazarene

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Academy of Religion
- Wesleyan Theological Society

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2007 John Templeton Foundation grant for previous participants in the Oxford Seminars on Science and Christianity (\$4,000.00)
- 2005 Won the Wesleyan Theological Society’s 2005 Smith-Wynkoop award for *Participating In God: Creation and Trinity*. The award recognizes recent publication of distinction in a research area related to the Wesleyan/Holiness tradition.
- 2002 Planning grant from the Lilly Endowment planing grant for Christian Universities (\$50,000)
- 2001 Pasadena/Point Loma Alumni Association Teaching Development Award (\$2000)
- 2000-2001 Templeton Foundation Course Development Grant (\$2,000)

- 1999-2001 Participant in the John Templeton Foundation Oxford Seminars on Science and Christianity.
- 1998 Matchette Foundation grant to sponsor lectures in philosophy (\$3000)
- 1998 Templeton /ASA Lecture Series grant (\$2000)
- 1996-1997 Templeton Foundation Science-Religion Course Program Award (\$10,000)
- Point Loma Nazarene University R.A.S.P. Grants in 1987, 1990, 1999, and 2012.
- Wesleyan Center for Twenty First Century Studies Summer Stipends: 1996, 1998, 2002 and 2009.
- Wesleyan Center for 21st Century Studies Fellowships in 1998-1999, 2000-2001 and 2012-2013
- Sabbatical leaves from Point Loma Nazarene University in 1993-1994, 2000-2001, 2007-2008 and 2014-2015.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Point Loma Nazarene University. Professor of Philosophy and Religion, 1986-present. Chair of the Department of Philosophy and Religion/Dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry, 1996-2002, 2004-2009; Director of Graduate Studies in Religion, 1998-2000, 2002-2005.
- Nazarene Theological College, Manchester, U.K. Lecturer, 1993-1994.
- Fullerton College. Part-time faculty in Philosophy, 1984-1986.
- Rancho Santiago College. Part-time faculty in Philosophy, 1984-1986.
- Bloomington Church of the Nazarene. Youth Minister, 1982-1984.

COMMUNITY AND CHURCH SERVICE

Current service

- Member of the editorial board of Kingswood Press
- Sunday School teacher at Mission Church of the Nazarene
- Member of Southern California District Church of the Nazarene Board of Ministerial Studies

Previous service

- 2007-2014 Secretary-Treasurer of the Wesleyan Theological Society
- 2007-2008 Interim director of Point Loma Press
- Chair of the 19th century section of the American Academy of Religion, western region
- Member of the church board of Mission Valley Church of the Nazarene